



KOTZEBUE AREA

The Kotzebue Area includes all waters of Alaska between the latitude of the westernmost tip of Point Hope and the latitude of the westernmost tip of Cape Prince of Wales, including those waters into the Chukchi Sea. These regulations apply on waters within or adjacent to the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge, Cape Krusenstern National Monument, Noatak National Preserve, Kobuk Valley National Park, Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve, Selawik National Wildlife Refuge, and Bering Land Bridge National Preserve. Lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management are open to fishing only on non-navigable waters. [See map 1 on previous page]

CUSTOMARY AND TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATIONS		
Area	Species	Determination
KOTZEBUE AREA	All fish	Residents of the Kotzebue Area.

Special Provisions:

NO SUBSISTENCE FISHING PERMIT REQUIRED. You may take fish (except rainbow/steelhead trout) at any time for subsistence purposes without a subsistence fishing permit, unless specified by emergency action or by the following regulations.

Regulations:

You may take salmon only by gillnets, beach seines, or a rod and reel.

You may only take sheefish with gillnets smaller than 50 fathoms in length, 12 meshes or less in depth, and with a mesh size no larger than seven inches.

You may not obstruct more than one-half the width of a stream, creek, or slough with any gear used to take fish for subsistence uses, except when fishing for whitefish or pike in the Selawik and Kobuk River drainages as follows:

Kobuk and Selawik River drainages.

In the Kobuk River drainage from May 15-July 15 and from August 15-October 31, and in the Selawik River drainage from May 15 to October 31, you may take whitefish or pike in streams, creeks, and sloughs. Only one gillnet 100 feet or less in length with a mesh size from 2 1/2 inches to 4 1/2 inches may be used per site. You must check your net at least once in every 24-hour period.